

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A scroll compressor has a suction chamber, a stationary scroll and a movable scroll. The stationary scroll has a circumferential wall and a stationary volute portion. The movable scroll has a movable base plate and a movable volute portion. A circumferential surface of the movable base plate and an inner surface of the circumferential wall form a sealing portion at sections located close to each other with a narrow clearance. The sealing portion moves along the inner surface of the circumferential wall as the movable scroll orbits. Lubricating oil in a bottom portion of a suction chamber is supplied to a compression chamber defined by the volute portions from the suction chamber. This effectively utilizes lubricating oil retained in the bottom portion of the suction chamber